

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figs. 1, 4, and 5. These sheets, which include Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4A, 4B, 5A, and 5B, replace the original sheets including Figs. 1-5. Fig. 1 is amended to include reference character 50 and include sectional line II-II. Fig. 4 is relabeled as Fig. 4A and 4B, and Fig. 5 is relabeled as Fig. 5A and 5B.

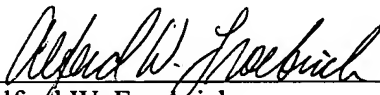
Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is presented to place the application in proper form for examination and to eliminate multiple dependency from the present claims. No new matter has been added. Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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Abstract

Modular printing unit

-- ~~In order to provide a printing unit (1; 50) of modular design with the lowest possible expenditure on construction and high flexibility, the~~ A ~~printing unit (1; 50) of modular design for printing webs (29) has a stand (2; 2'; 54), which is provided with at least one crossmember (3; 4; 51) at both ends (drive and operating side), printing. Printing cylinders are (9 to 16) being mounted in the crossmembers (3; 4; 51) in such a way that a structural unit comprising crossmembers (3; 4; 51) and printing cylinders (9 to 16) can be taken completely out of and put into the stand (2; 2'; 54).~~

Fig. 1 --